# Making Marks, Patterns and Drawings

### **Activity:**

Provide opportunities for your child to explore chalks, felt tip pens, crayons and paint on different types of paper. Also try giving your child big paint brushes, sponges, rollers and pots of water for making marks outside on a wall or concrete path. Encourage your child to make their own marks, patterns and drawings. You could even make your own mark making tools using pegs, cotton wool, string etc.

### **Learning:**

Supporting your child's creative skills – Exploring colour – Giving meaning to the marks they create – Exploring various forms of expression through art media – Gross motor and fine motor skills







## **Use Pictures to Create a Story**

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Cut out pictures from magazines or old birthday cards and stick them on a piece of paper to create a story. Your child can tell, write, draw, or act out their story.

#### **Learning:**

Supporting your child's language and communication skills – Building and supporting creative skills – Building control when using scissors – Encouraging your child to use their imagination – Building literacy skills through story telling